TITUSVILLE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
T. A. R. C.

July 2004

President's corner Bud Hughes K4CWG

Field Day 2004 is history. Our club did not set any records this year but all will agree the participation was wonderful. The club operated with its K4KSC club call. The number of contacts and final score has yet to be totaled. Even though the club's Chief Chef, Bill K4CUO was out of town and could not participate with us on Field Day he made sure the barbeque was prepared and ready to be served at the Field Day Saturday evening feast. Mr. Bill we thank you again for your contribution to this wonderful event. The combination of the covered dishes, desserts and other related goodies as prepared by our ladies and gents sure made Field Day special for us all. The friendship and camaraderie is uplifting and makes it all worthwhile. To all the ladies and guys who made this year's event so special, thanks a whole bunch.

Stephanie K4MVO is teaching a class at the Four Communities Fire Station located on US 1 South of Port ST John (across the road from Corky Bell). There are 17–18 students and thanks to Stephanie they are really progressing toward earning their Technician Class License. It pleases me to see such a good number of our club members attending and encouraging these soon-to-be hams on their way to joining the ranks of amateur radio operators. If you are able to do so please come down Wednesday evening at 6:30PM and show these students we are in their corner and are rooting for them.

We are receiving email from Judy N2NY and I hope I can say Art KC2ENO is improving. Art is in the hospital and will remain there for several weeks. Judy, Art our thoughts are with you and we hope to see you back home real soon.

Sherry is determined to have an July News Letter published to the extent of doing the Newsletter herself. Please support Sherry or whoever becomes the new Editor by submitting your input to your paper.

Best wishes to all and hope to see you at the next club meeting.
73s Bud K4CWG

Ham Radio Class Update.

I want to thank all the wonderful TARC members who have been helping me with the 20 students we now have enrolled in our Ham Radio Class being taught at the Four Communities Volunteer Fire Department, in Sharpes. Whether it was setting up your HF radio and demonstrating a QSO, explaining DX'ing and showing off QSL cards and log books, welcoming the students with refreshing cold water in a bottle, helping purchase antenna components, demonstrating capacitive reactance, running my net, setting up the tables and chairs, or taking photos; you all are making this class a huge success. I just can't thank you enough for your support and involvement.

AF4LD, Gary Commer
KE4ZPA, John Renninger
KF4LTY, Pat Renninger
KD4GPF, Joe Meyers
KG4PGJ, Mike Brady*
KI4VPR, Anthony Ellrodt*
KI4CFA, Mic Woltman*
W4NMB Holland Starkey
K4CWG, Bud Hughes
KC4VIN, Carole Ramos
KC4VIO, Jose Ramos
KO4II, Charles Smith
KU4ZO, Sherry Hughes
N4SCY , Ozzie Osband
N9EZV, Ken Tendick
***Student' family member**

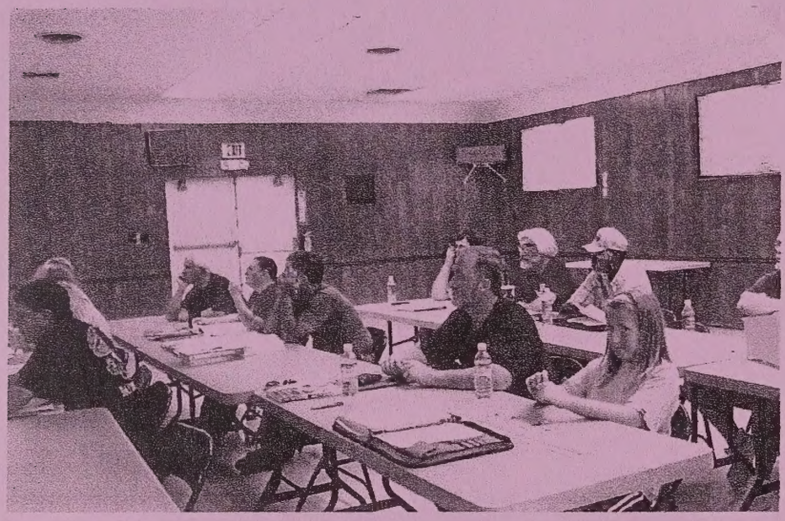
On the 21st of July, we'll be making antennas, and JD Collnier, W4GNC, and Norm Wilford, W1TLZ, both from the IRARC, have offered to help us out. We'll need as many volunteers as we can get to help with soldering, drilling, assembly and testing (SWR) our 2 meter ground plane antennas.
Also, on the 28th, we'll be "putting it all together," and I can use some help with demonstrating the variety of Ham Radio: Packet, RTTY, CW, VHF, UHF, HF, ATV, and of course HF, and QRP

So if one of these Ham Radio activities is your favorite, then please consider demonstrating it to the rest of the class .It doesn't have to be fancy or lengthy ,but just enough to introduce the students to all the fun we have in Ham Radio.

We meet on Wednesdays, at 6:30 pm at the 4 communities Volunteer Fire Department, in Sharpes. Aug 4th, is exam night, and on Aug 11th, I'll be offering a class on how to study for upgrade to General Class and an introduction to the Morse Code.

Again, a big round of applause for our TARC volunteers who are making my job easier! Thank you.

Stephanie Phillips, K4MVO



This picture is from our current class

JUNE MINUTES

By Becky Lee KF4HTB

The meeting was called to order by president K4CWG Bud Hughes. The usual opening ceremonies were incomplete because the stormy weather kept W2SDB Bill Eppley from attending the meeting. His harmonica playing was missed by all. Stephanie K4MVO gave members all the information about her new class which will be held at the volunteer fire depart across from Corky Bells. She also made a motion that all students passing their first test be given a 1 year free membership in TARC.

Sherry KU4ZO reported that she had heard from Judy Smith N2JY that Art KC2ENO is in the hospital on life support. It was also reported that Holland Starkey W4NMB recently lost his wife and that the mother-in-law of KG4KVO Ed Worth recently passed away.

The balance of the meeting was taken up with making plans for Field Day

BEARS Report July, 2004

Nancy Smith, our Community Coordinator, congratulated Ernie Baldini, K4RBD, for having completed the most recent Brevard County Citizens Academy, a nine week course which familiarizes the students with all aspects of County Government. She recommended we sign up and also get this free training. http://www.brevardcounty.us/county/citizens_academy/. Nancy also gave us the most up-to-date information on Special Needs and Enhanced Care evacuation shelters. (If you haven't yet signed up for duty in a shelter, please give Ed, KG4KVO, your name, call sign, and assignment preference.)

Congratulations to Danny Burdick, KE4OZD, for his appointment to the BEARS Board of Directors, representing Patrick Air Force BASE Military Affiliated Radio Systems. Also, a big congratulations to Ken Johnson, N4ZEB, for his appointment to the BEARS Board of Directors, representing Disaster Communications Services, City of Palm Bay. We welcome both of these wonderful organizations to BEARS, knowing that will only enhance our capability to accomplish our mission.

It had to be one of the hottest Field Days I've ever experienced . It was so good to see so many of you out there. I really enjoyed seeing all the teamwork. If you couldn't make it this year, you may want to mark your calendar for next year so you don't miss out on the fun.

I'm still interested in hearing from TARC Hams who have received CERT training. Please send your contact information to me via e-mail. K4MVO@titustek.com , or call me. Thanks.

The BEARS meet on the second Tuesday of the month, 1900, at the County EOC, Rockledge, Talk-in Freq: 147.135. Come a little early to get signed in.

Stephanie Phillips, K4MVO
President, BEARS Inc.
264-2492 or K4MVO@titustek.com

Happy Birthdays this month go out to

JULY 04 KG4FXR LEE ERSKIN
JULY 04 K1TJK THOMAS KELLY
JULY 08 WN3DHI ARCHIE SHETLER
JULY 08 W4NMB HOLLAND STARKEY
JULY 09 KD4JBL WILLIE WILLIAMS
JULY 10 W4JKF JACKIE KEIM
JULY 11 KI4BFA WESLIE BURZEE
JULY 11 KF4IGN DORIS GIONET
JULY 15 KG4KBQ BEAU GRANTHAM
JULY 19 KG4WKP MARIA GARCIA
JULY 21 KB3GJH DAVID NORTON
JULY 21 KC4RUF THOMAS RAC
JULY 23 KT4UD LEONARD ZBIEGIEN
JULY 23 KG4LOB ERROL STEVENS
JULY 27 AE4CB DAVID HURST
JULY 27 KF4KUN SAMUEL DENMAN
JULY 27 KV4DC ROE WEAVER
JULY 28 KE4AGM RICHARD LASURE
JULY 30 WD8JLT BRIAN SONNENBERG
JULY 30 NK4D BILL HAYES

- Our 46th Wedding Anniversary

We had been in St. Augustine for three days seeing the sights and looking forward to having our anniversary dinner at the Columbia Restaurant.

Peanut and Tanner, our two dogs, a Yorkshire Terrier and a Silky Terrier were traveling with us. We could not leave them unattended at the hotel where we were staying. We visited a local veterinarian office hoping they could look after them but they could only do it if we left them there overnight.

It was a Friday, and knowing that it would probably be a busy day at the Columbia, we went there to make our dinner reservation for that evening.

I explained our predicament to the gracious hostess who took our reservation and asked her if she had any suggestions. To our surprise she indicated that perhaps we could leave our pets in the open patio, which was not being used that evening. They had to be kept in a crate and we just had the perfect one, a rolling cart. We always take our pets in their cart when in a crowd. It keeps them out of the way and they feel safe in strange places. We left feeling very lucky and excited to find such understanding hostess and looking forward to our evening celebration.

We arrived with sufficient time to place Peanut and Tanner in the patio while we enjoyed our relaxed dinner. Unfortunately and at the same time, one of those great Florida thunderstorms arrived unexpectedly. You know how those are - heavy rain, strong winds, thunder and lightning - without an end in sight. The dogs could not stay in the open patio in their cart.

The lobby was swarming with dinner guests. The very busy new hostess, who had been told beforehand that we would be leaving the pets in the patio, took time to try to solve our problem. She asked her supervisor to help us in any way he could while she attended the needs of other guests. He informed us that it would be difficult to accommodate us due to health regulations but not to give up just yet. He soon came back to us with the general manager who cordially suggested that maybe we could leave them in the gift shop if the attendant would agree. She did. We left them in her care near the register and out of the way with the assuring comment: "Enjoy your dinner; they will! be safe with me".

And enjoy our dinner we did. The friendly atmosphere was enhanced by the exceptional tasting food and courteous service. The Columbia manager visited our table half way through the meal to tell us he had just checked on Peanut and Tanner and that they were doing fine.

After dinner we picked up our pets and the gift shop attendant expressed her enjoyment while taking care of them (graciously refusing our gratuity offer).

It was a very memorable anniversary celebration and we sincerely thank the Columbia Restaurant staff for their contribution in making it so. KC4VIO and KC4VIN

MAJ, US Army (Ret) and Mrs. Josi A. Ramos

ABELL'S ANECDOTES

by Pike Abell There was a little garden snake named Mrs. Smith. She lived in a nice suburban snake pit. She had three baby snakes. She was going out this day and didn't want to take the baby snakes with her. She told them to just hiss around the pit until she got home. If she didn't get home in time they were to go next door to Mrs. Pott's pit and hiss. So she went out and the baby snakes started to hiss around the pit. Mrs. Smith didn't come home so they went next door to Mrs. Pott's pit to hiss . They were hissing around Mrs. Pott's pit when Mrs. Pott's came in and said quit hissing around my pit. So the babies went back to their own pit to hiss. Mrs. Smith came home to find the babies hissing and crying . What's the matter she ask, why are you crying ? When you didn't come home we went to Mrs. Pott's but she told us to go hiss in our on pit. Mrs Smith said "She has a heck of a nerve ! I knew her when she didn't have a pit to hiss in

TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning balance	**$2101.09**
Deposits in 2004	**2314.00**
Total Income	**$4415.09**
YTD Expenditures	**1203.71**
Balance as at 6/30/04	**$3211.38**

NEW MEMBERS:

None

RENEWALS

K4DII	**FRED McKENZIE**
KD4DSG	**MIKE WOLFORD**
WIIIA	**WALT HART**
KG4PGJ	**MIKE BRADY**
KC4RUF	**THOMAS RAC**
KG4YFP	**KIM LUCKS**

Some of our club members get together every Thursday evening for an eye ball QSO. Come out for the evening meal or just a piece of their great pie . The place is Village Inn .The time is 5:30-6PM

Please send news articles to Sherry Hughes, KU4ZO by the 15th of each month at KU4ZO@cfl.rr.com your input will be appreciated , thank you

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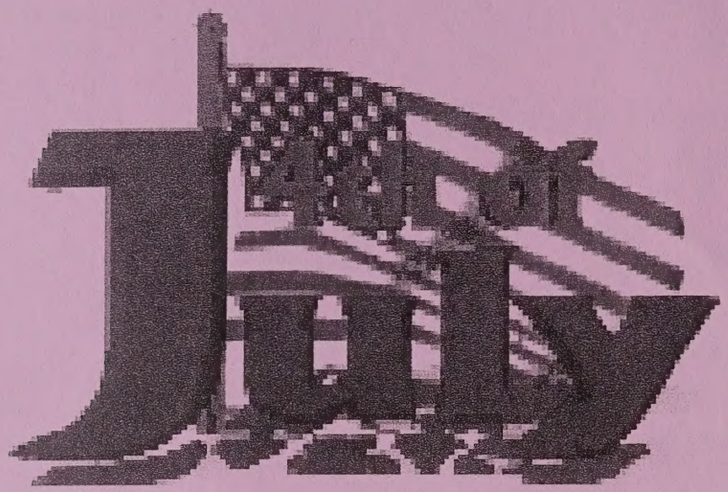

Club Meetings: Every 4th Tuesday at 7PM at the Jaycees Building, 405N Singleton Ave

Club Officers

President: Bud Hughes	K4CWG	269-2796
Vise President: Bob Keim	W4TAT	383-1509
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John Renninger	KE4ZPA	267-9431

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NETS

Traders net 10AM Mondays	146.91
Friendship net 6:30PM Tuesdays	146.91
VIP net 10AM Thursdays	146.91
Red Eye net 6AM Sundays	7.228.00
Mosquito net 7PM Wednesdays	28.333

Upcoming Hamfests

August 14th 2004 Ft Pierce, FL	Contact	N4XEO@bellsouth.net
August 28th 2004 Tampa , FL	Contact	K4LAW@arrl.net
Sept 11th and 12th 2004 Melbourne, FL	Contact	Jeff Hildreth PO Box 1004
Sept 25th 2004 New Port Richey, FL	Contact	mccrpt@earthlink.net
Sept 25th 2004 Bahia Shrine Orlando FL	Contact	w4whh@arrl.net